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COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION
"Creating Community Through People, Parks and Programs"

CLERK
OF THE
BOARD



Tim Gallagher, Director

February 17, 2004

The Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
500 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, California 90012

Dear Supervisors:

**APPROVAL OF AN AMENDMENT TO
MOWING SERVICES CONTRACT NO. 73721
WITH CUT 'N' EDGE FOR ANTELOPE VALLEY AREA PARKS
(Fifth District - 3 Vote Matter)**

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

1. Find that the approval of the Amendment to Mowing Services Agreement Number 73721 is categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA).
2. Approve and instruct the Chairman to sign the attached Amendment to Mowing Services Agreement Number 73721 with Cut 'N' Edge to add Steven Sorensen Park (formerly Lake Los Angeles Park) and increase the contract sum of the agreement by \$6,045 for a total revised contract amount of \$34,944.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

On December 4, 2001, your Board approved a mowing services agreement with Cut 'N' Edge to provide mowing services for the Antelope Valley Area Parks. Due to the recent transfer of Steven Sorensen Park (formerly Lake Los Angeles Park) from the Lake Los Angeles Park Association to the Department, there is a need to amend the existing Antelope Valley Agreement to continue to provide mowing services at Steven Sorensen Park.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

The proposed amendment will further the Board-approved County Strategic Plan Goal 1.1.1, Service Excellence, and Goal 4, Fiscal Responsibility, through the provision of quality mowing services at a savings over County costs.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

The increased contract cost for providing additional mowing services at Steven Sorensen Park is \$6,045 per year, increasing the total contract sum from \$28,899 to \$34,944 annually. The contractor's costs are based on the costs already approved by your Board.

Sufficient appropriation is included in the Department's Fiscal Year 2003-04 Adopted Budget for the cost of services at Steven Sorensen Park for the remainder of this fiscal year. Sufficient funds for services in future fiscal years will be appropriated in the Department's operating budget.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

On May 15, 2001, your Board approved Mowing Services Agreement Number 73721 with Cut 'N' Edge to provide mowing services for the Antelope Valley Area Parks, which included Apollo Community Regional, George Lane, Jackie Robinson, Everett Martin, and Pearblossom Parks.

In July 2002, the Department acquired Steven Sorensen Park through a quitclaim deed from the Lake Los Angeles Park Association. Since the acquisition, the Department has been providing the landscape maintenance services and Rich Meier's Landscaping, Inc., has been providing the mowing services under a Director's Agreement. The Director's Agreement expired on December 31, 2003, and the contractor was notified to cease operations. In order to continue monthly service, the Department requests to amend its current Antelope Valley Agreement with Cut 'N' Edge to include Steven Sorensen Park. The mowing services will be effective upon Board approval.

The term of the Antelope Valley Area Parks contract was for two (2) years with three (3) one-year option periods. In November 2003, the Department exercised the first one-year option period extending the agreement through December 3, 2004. The agreement includes language authorizing the County to reduce or terminate services upon non-appropriation of funds by your Board.

Cut 'N' Edge has executed the attached amendment and County Counsel has approved the amendment as to form.

NEGATIVE DECLARATION/ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT

The approval of this contract amendment is categorically exempt under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) under Section 15301(h) of the Guidelines for the Implementation of the California Environmental Quality Act and Class 1(j) of the Environmental Document Reporting Procedures and Guidelines, which your Board adopted on November 17, 1987.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

Mowing services at Steven Sorensen Park will be resumed by Cut 'N' Edge; therefore, there will be no impact to existing staff.

CONCLUSION

It is requested that a certified copy of the action taken by your Board and a fully executed copy of the attached amendment be mailed to Cut 'N' Edge, Attention: Mr. Michael Secora, P. O. Box 4457, Valley Village, CA 91617. It is also requested that two (2) conformed copies be forwarded to this Department.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Tim Gallagher', with a stylized, sweeping flourish extending to the right.

Tim Gallagher
Director

TG:mg

Attachments

c: Executive Officer (22)

**AMENDMENT NO. 1 TO COUNTY CONTRACT #73721
FOR THE MOWING SERVICES FOR THE
ANTELOPE VALLEY AREA PARKS**

THIS AMENDMENT TO THE MOWING SERVICES CONTRACT, made this
day of _____ 2004

BY AND BETWEEN THE

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, a
body corporate and politic,
hereinafter referred to as "County",

AND

CUT N EDGE, hereinafter referred to
as "Contractor" for mowing services,
hereinafter referred to as "services"
for the **Antelope Valley Area Parks**,
hereinafter referred to as "facilities".

RECITALS

WHEREAS, the parties hereto have entered into County Contract #73721 on
December 4, 2001, for the provision of mowing services for the Antelope Valley Area
Parks; and

WHEREAS, both parties agree to amend said contract to add an additional
facility to Exhibit A, *Statement of Work* and increase the contract sum as identified in
Exhibit B, *Pricing and Billing Schedule*; and

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual promises, covenants and
conditions set forth herein, the parties hereto and each of them do agree as follows:

1.0 STATEMENT OF WORK

The existing Section 2.01 of Exhibit A, *Statement of Work*, is amended to include Steven Sorensen Park (formerly Lake Los Angeles) at 16801 East Avenue P, Lake Los Angeles.

PRICING AND BILLING SCHEDULE

Exhibit B, *Pricing and Billing Schedule*, is amended to include Steven Sorensen Park for an annual cost of Six Thousand Forty Five Dollars (\$6,045.00) and to increase the Annual Contract Cost for all facilities to Thirty Four Thousand Nine Hundred Forty Four Dollars (\$34,944).

RATIFICATION

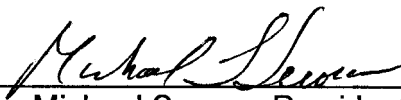
All other terms, conditions, covenants and promises of the contract not affected by this Amendment shall remain in full force and effect and are hereby reaffirmed.

EFFECTIVE DATE

The effective date of this Amendment to the Agreement shall be the date of approval hereof by the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Contractor has executed this Amendment to Contract #73721 or caused it to be fully executed, and the County of Los Angeles, by order of its Board of Supervisors has caused this Amendment to be executed on its behalf by the Chairman of said Board and attested by the Executive Officer-Clerk of the Board of Supervisors thereof, on the day and year first written.

CUT 'N' EDGE

By 
Michael Secora, President

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

By _____
Chairman, Board of Supervisors


ATTEST:

VIOLET VARONA-LUKENS
Executive Officer-Clerk
of the Board

By _____
Deputy

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

LLOYD W. PELLMAN
County Counsel

By 
Principal Deputy

STATE OF CALIFORNIA }
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COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES } s.s.

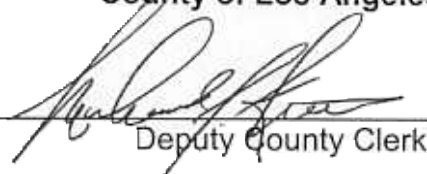
On this 4th day of February, 2004,
before me, Conny B. McCormack, the Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk of the County of
Los Angeles, personally appeared Michael Secora, as the
President of Cut 'N' Edge personally
known to me (or proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence) to be the person
whose name is subscribed to the within instrument and acknowledged to me that the
person executed the same in his / her authorized capacity, and that by his / her signature
on the instrument the Corporation upon behalf of which the person acted, executed the
instrument.

WITNESS my hand and official seal.



Conny B. McCormack
Registrar-Recorder / County Clerk
County of Los Angeles

By


Deputy County Clerk